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28. (Once amended) The method of claim 20, wherein said [thiazolidinedione] agent is 5-[4-[2-[N-methyl-N-(2-pyridyl)amino]ethoxy]benzyl]thiadiazolidine-2,4-dione.

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29. (Once amended) The method of claim 20, wherein said [thiazolidinedione] agent is 5-[4-[2-[N-methyl-N-(2-pyridyl)amino]ethoxy]benzyl]thiadiazolidine-2,4-dione maleate.

Remarks

None of the amendments add new matter. The amendments correct formal matters without changing the scope of the claims. In particular, the amendment to claims 26-29 merely clarifies the claims by substituting "agent" for "thiazolidinedione" and removes an extra comma in claim 27. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request that this Amendment be entered.

Applicants note that the Notice of Allowability mailed January 3, 2001, indicates that the allowed claims are 1-8 and 13-29. However, claims 3-6 were cancelled in the Amendment filed November 22, 2000. Thus, the allowed claims should be 1, 2, 7, 8 and 13-29.

Reconsideration of this application and entry of the above Amendments are respectfully requested.

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